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Government soundness and reliability brought under the loop by Dutch experts



ORANJESTAD -- Last week the Minister of Internal Affairs and Dutch Kingdom Relations, Mr. Piet Hein Donner, together with Aruba Prime Minister Eman, presented a report entitled, "The State of Aruba's Government."



The document submitted reflected the state of affairs in government congruent to an inves- tigation conducted by "Het Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek-en Documentatie centrum" (WODC) of the Ministry of Justice of the Netherlands.

The document does not present a verdict as such related to the state of affairs, but it does point out the weaknesses and strengths in the management of the island. It also outlines a list of recommendations where changes can be made to the areas of weakness and how the strong areas can be improved. It also signals the strong areas that have been noted in the last two years of the present government administration.

One of the main areas of focus for such an investigation was to ascertain the integrity of government with respect to the management of public funds. It is important to guarantee that public funds, taxes collected, are being used for essential projects and programs for the community in general.

The government's apparatus has grown over the years. The investigation included a look into the political culture of the government's functioning. Reason for this, according to the investigators, is that it is not possible to separate the government's departments and the entire democratic process from the existing political culture. The small size of the island plays a pivotal role in this. People know each other and each other's families and friends. In the combination of a polarized political system decision are often based on factors other than pure qualifications with respect to nominations for positions, etc.

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San Nicolaas getting welldeserved attention from Government!





SAN NICOLAAS -- Minister Sevinger, in charge of Infrastructure, announced this week the restoration of the former ambulance post in San Nicolaas.

Sevinger and Prime Minister Eman signed a contract with Mr. V.d.Broek of v.d. Broek Contractors to restore the San Nicolaas building located across from the Filomena College.

This building that has been left standing unused and abandoned for several years will soon regain usefulness. According to the v.d. Broek Contractors, work will begin in earnest on the restoration process as of next week Monday. The entire project is to take 120 days to complete.

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In a ruling not related to the "Bala Blou" case: **AAA** will appeal ruling of Court in First Instance regarding vacation of shift workers taken on holidays

ORANJESTAD - On September 27, 2011 the Court in First Instance of Aruba gave its ruling in a case that was initiated by the Aruba Airport Authority N.V. (AAA) back in 2010. AAA requested the Court to decide whether or not vacation days of its shift workers that coincide with national holidays should be deducted from the employees' vacation balance. The Court in First Instance has now decided that the vacation days at hand should not have been considered vacation days.

As per the Court ruling AAA should now reimburse the vacation days of employees over the past five years that coincided with national holidays. However, since AAA has a generous financial compensation for shift workers that work on national holidays very few shift workers request vacation on days that coincide with national holidays. Per year an average of only 15 out of 112 shift workers occasionally take vacation on a national holiday. Hence the financial implications of the ruling are marginal, amounting to approximately Afl. 6,000 per year over the last five years.

As AAA in principal does

sumptions of the Court, it has decided to appeal the ruling. The Court did not deem it prudent to declare the ruling executable beforehand ("uitvoerbaar bij voorraad"). This basically means that the Court has decided that AAA at this point in time does not have to reimburse the vacation days. Only if and when the highest courts have decided to confirm the ruling of the Court in First Instance, AAA will be obliged to reimburse the days at hand.

was dropped on STA's request.

For good order's sake, mention has to be made that the ruling at hand is not related whatsoever with the case that was initiated by AAA with respect to the amount of hours that AAA employees have to work per month, the so called "Bala Blou" case. In that case the union STA claimed that CAO employees work more hours than the amount of hours indicated on the pay slip and consequently have a claim on AAA therefore. On February 7, 2011 the union STA acknowledged in writing that their point of view in this case was not correct and that AAA did not owe the employees any back pay in salary here for. Consequently this case

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Successful fundraising golf tournament brings Cas Animal Foundation closer

to building first no-kill animal sanctuary on Aruba

Kiki Arndt, the hardworking volunteer behind Cas Animal which rescues Aruba's stray dogs and cats, was very pleased to accept a check for 9,000 Arubian florins from Tierra Del Sol Golf Pro Adam Williamson and his assistant, James Kiley, at the end of their second fundraising golf tournament on behalf of the foundation that took place at the country club and golf course this past Saturday, October 1.

Adam reports they had 44 golfers this year, after 26 for last year's inaugural tournament, so the popularity is growing. Golfers had fine weather for the half-day event, which ended with a lovely buffet on



the Ventanas Del Mar Terrace with platters donated by Promenade, Chalet Suisse, Papiamento, Mulligan's, Matthew's Aqua Grill restaurants.

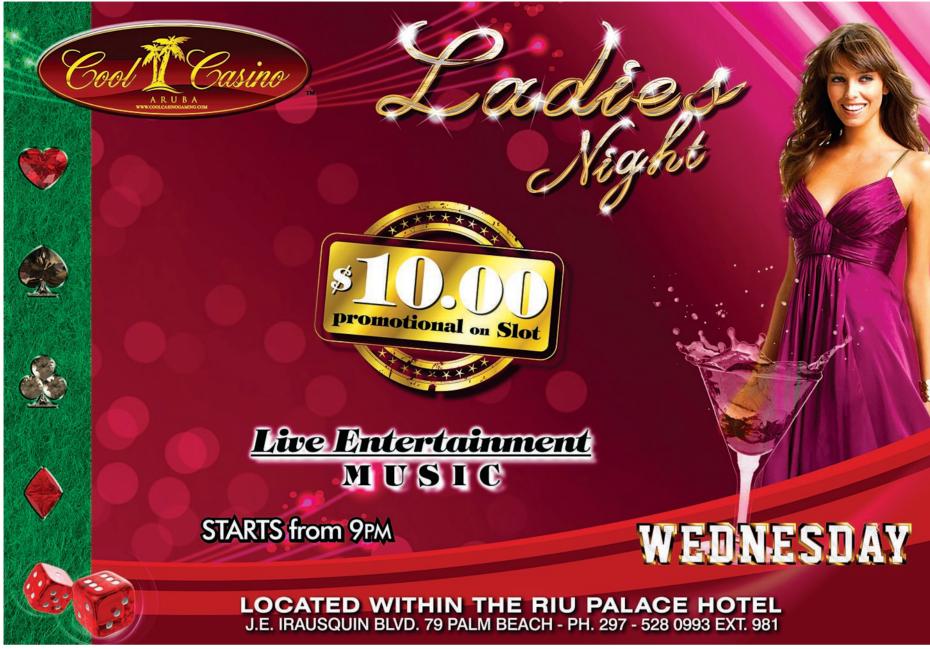
Kiki expresses her heartfelt gratitude to principal sponsors Tropical Bottling for providing all the refreshments and several coolers of Balashi Chill

and Compras N.V. for sponsoring one of the 18 holes and snacks. Another important sponsor of the tournament and many of Kiki's fundraising events was Gemstones International, whose owner Sarita, is this year's Adopter of the Year, having taken in 6 abandoned dogs into her personal household since last year.

Sponsors of each hole include: IMC Trust, Dr. R. Anthony, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Playa Linda Resort, Banco di Caribe, Animal Care Clinic, RBTT/RBC Bank, KIA, Kooyman Store, Compras N.V. and the Lichtenstein Family in the name of Daisy.

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Government soundness and reliability...

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The size of the government's apparatus was also influenced by the growth of the population. One positive move was that the government decided to implement an employment stop to prevent any further increase of the size of the government's apparatus. Instead, the government implemented training programs to equip civil servants to be able to fill vacancies.

The investigative team did not concentrate solely on how monies are being spent, but also on the transparency of financial management. Transparency creates the possibility for better control and for subsequent revision of the manner in which public funds were used. The report revealed that in the past administration it appears that funds were administered with insufficient responsibility.

Transparency in government decision making remains a cardinal point for the future. They believe that the Internet may be a significant tool for encouraging and cultivating transparency. The 2009 –2013 government administration has this element as an important matter to be considered. The government is currently working on introducing specific regulations

regarding Political Party funds. In the same vein they are intent on introducing a law with respect to Party Funding to increase the matter of transparency in conjunction with financial donations to political parties.

All in all the WODC report has given the government a lot of work for the years ahead. At the same time, the government is pleased to announce that, as far as they are concerned, the report also gives the current administration positive marks for their current administrative management.

San Nicolaas getting ...

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The government intends to use the restored building as a meeting place for Minister de Meza to consult with the public. Other ministers will also use the building for meetings with citizens of the San Nicolaas barrios. They may also hold periodic Ministerial Council meetings there.

The government is working diligently on the different projects on the agenda for San Nicolaas. The Juwana Morto project is moving along nicely and on schedule. With respect to the De Vuyst project, they expect to sign a contract with MNO Vervat on this. MNO Vervat is the company that won the public bid for this project.

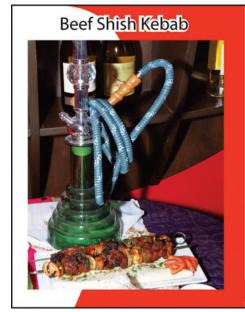
The Public Tender for the renovation of the San Nicolaas

Water Tower will be issued within the next few days, reports Sievinger.

Regarding the 4-lane highway, Minister Sevinger reported that the Public Tender for this huge project is soon forthcoming. This will be one of the biggest projects ever undertaken in the history of Aruba. The reason for it being such a huge project is because it does not simply entail the construction of a highway of 4 lanes from the Airport to San Nicolaas, but that it also encompasses the renovation of adjoining barrios.

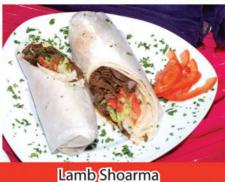
The work will be humongeous, but at the end of it all it will create a better quality of life for our people and create a quality product for Aruba, according to Minister Sevinger.





Dinner serve from: Middle Eastern Food 6:00 pm until 1:00 am

South Beach Centre, Palm beach 55







Successful fundraising golf tournament brings Cas Animal Foundation ...

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Tournament winners received weekend stays at sponsoring resorts. First place and a weekend at the Hyatt Regency Resort were won by Victor Aguirre and Ken Norwood. Second place went to father/son team of Maurice and

Mike de L'isle, who will enjoy a respite at the Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino and Spa. After a Sudden-death playoff, Larry and Floyd Nedd walked away with third place and a weekend at the Westin Aruba Resort. Other winners of prizes donated by Red Sails Sports and Iguana Cantina were: Kim Tilleman, nearest to the pin at hole #3, Victor Aquirre for hole #7, Maurice De L'isle for #13, William van Ramhorst for #15 and Mike de L'isle for #17.

Rafael Oleana and his part-

ner Gladys performed a thrilling tango as entertainment for the gathering during the awards ceremony and a festive fundraising party continued until 10:00 PM with music and entertainment provided by Pachanga Dance School.

Kiki continues her efforts to raise the funds to construct a proper care facility that can handle 200 or more dogs, plus cats and other animals on land she has already been awarded by the gov- and Ken Norwood pose. You can help by calling Kiki at 565-2130 or 742-8732 to make a donation or report a stray or injured dog, as she maintains an Animal Ambulance to rescue them. Her expenses for feeding the more than 100 stray, abandoned and abused animals she has taken in are astronomical, as well as her veterinary bills, and donations can be made by paying on her account at the Shaba or Savaneta, as **Lisle** well as directly to the bank account of Cas Animal Foundation, CMB Bank account # 25762110.

If you wish to adopt a dog, Kiki will assist you in the process, as it is much easier to return to the U.S. with an Aruban dog than you might think. If not one of the many cute puppies she has needing a good home, than perhaps a lovable stray you may have befriended on the beach or streets.



First place winnersVictor Aguirre



Contreras Clinics in Second place Maurice and Mike De



by Rosalie Klein Third place Larry and Floyd Nedd

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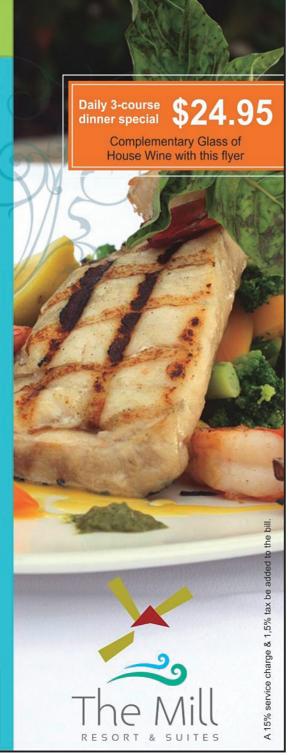
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Island oldsters St. Michael's Pavilion enjoy a festive opening to Elderly Week







Enjoying a dance with staff

Aruba's "shonnan" (Show-nan) "our respected elders" as they are referred to in the local language, enjoyed special attention and special treats on Sunday morning at the St. Michael Pavilion in Oranjestad. The festive occasion marked the beginning of a week full of happy events and extra special treatment by the SABA staff members and many of the family who came to visit and enjoy the entertainment.

Visiting musical group Cuedre Folklorico, lead by well known maestro, Roy Sneek, entertained all with a lively morning of favorite island compositions, which had staff members and "clients" taking to the dance floor.

Aruba has 4 homes for the elderly; in Oranjestad St. Michael's is the ambulatory wing connected to the St. Pedro de Verona home Within the two sections there are three units which will each host their own special events every day through the coming week.

Island elderly always receive kind care from the SABA staff, but this week is a particular reminder of how valued they still are to the entire community. Lizette Does of St. Michael's

explains it is a treasured ritual they perform every year, a pleasure for both the residents and staff members spurred by the UN International Day of Older Persons, which is October 1 as so designated since 1990.

The theme for Older Peoe's Day 2011 is staying active in later life.

"The purpose of this theme is to encourage people to be active and to raise awareness of the benefits that physical, social and mental activity brings;" preparing and having a positive approach to later life benefits each of us individually and society as a whole. This



Children come to visit and enjoy the day with parents



was certainly demonstrated by the cheerful smiles and lively

dancing at St. Michael's! by Rosalie Klein

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TUESDAY AND FRIDA

Dalai Lama visa row

CAPE TOWN (AFP) - Archbishop Desmond Tutu said yesterday the South African government was worse than its apartheid predecessor and warned he would pray for its downfall after it dithered over a visa for the Dalai Lama.

Anti-apartheid crusader Tutu invited his longtime friend and fellow Nobel Peace Prize winner to give an inaugural peace lecture as part of Tutu's 80th birthday celebrations in Cape Town this week.

But the exiled Tibetan spiritual leader cancelled his trip because he had not yet received a visa.

In response, Tutu, widely

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seen as South Africa's conscience keeper, called a nationally televised news conference and lambasted President Jacob Zuma.

"When we used to apply for passports from the apartheid government, we never knew until the last moment what the decision was," Tutu said.

"Our government is worse than the apartheid government, because at least you were expecting it with the apartheid government," he added.

Tutu said South Africans. who had enjoyed international backing in their struggle against apartheid, should be on the side of other oppressed peoples.

"Our government, representing me, representing me!, says it will not support Tibetans who are being oppressed viciously Chinese," Tutu said.

"Hey Mr Zuma, you and your government don't represent me. You represent your own interests.

"I am warning you, one day we will start praying for the defeat of the ANC (African National Congress) government. You are disgraceful. I want to warn you, you are behaving in a way that is totally at variance with the things for which we stood," he said.

"I am warning you that we will pray as we prayed for the downfall of the apartheid government. We will pray for the downfall of a government that misrepresents us."

Tutu slams S.Africa over Ex-captive stresses plight of Sudan's slaves

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A former Sudanese slave, who was blinded by a cruel master, yesterday pleaded for help in throwing the spotlight on the plight of others like him, and to find his missing mother.

Ker Aleu Deng was a victim of the 22-year civil war between Sudan's northern and southern regions that ended in 2005 after claiming two million lives and displacing four million people.

Taken to the Muslim north from his home in the Christian animist south by governmentbacked Arab militias after his father died, Deng was forced to look after goats and pick hibiscus tea leaves for his owner. who he said beat him regularly. His mother was made into the master's sex slave.

The former master, known as Zakaria Salih, "would take out all his anger on us," Deng told reporters at the US Congress after being brought to the United States for restorative eyesight surgery.

Salih blinded Deng when he was about 12 years old by hanging the boy upside down from a tree, rubbing chili pepper in his eyes and lighting a fire nearby, which doctors said was the equivalent of throwing acid in his eyes.

A neighboring imam then took him in and Deng worked



help to end such atrocities as he prepared to appear at a hearing on US-Sudan relations at the House of Representatives.

"I want to help people by talking to them about my experience of having lived a hard life. Anyone who would be able to listen to me and take example from me (about how) you can get out of a hard situation and move on with your life," he said.

Deng, who was fed animal feed and tied to the goats he kept at night in order to keep him from fleeing, said his mother remains enslaved.

'My mother is still in that horrible situation and we have no clue where she is right now.

All I need is help to get my mother out of that situation and many other people who are in that situation," he said, speaking through an interpreter.

Christian Solidarity International, a Zurich-based charity, brought Deng to the United States in August to get surgery in hopes of restoring his eyesight. But one eye was found to be so badly damaged that there is no hope for repair.

After receiving a donor cornea at Wills Eye Institute in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Deng can now distinguish some shapes and movements though it is likely he will always have limited vision and need a white cane.

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More than 70 killed in Mogadishu car bomb carnage



Bodies covered with sheets are seen lying on the streets of Mogadishu

MOGADISHU (AFP) - A car bomb tore through a government compound in Mogadishu yesterday, killing more than 70 people in the deadliest attack by Somalia's Shebab rebels in their five-year insurgency.

Witnesses described the carnage as the worst they had seen in Mogadishu since Somalia plunged into chaos two decades ago and said the devastation resembled scenes from World War II.

bomber The suicide rammed an explosives-laden

vehicle into the compound housing four ministries at a strategic crossroads, two months after the Al Qaedalinked rebels dismantled all their positions in the capital.

Somali President Sharif Sheikh Ahmed condemned the attack which he said claimed "more than 70 people and (left) 150 injured; most of them were young students."

"I am extremely shocked and saddened by this cruel and inhumane act of violence against the most vulnerable in our society," he said in a state-

The United States, a key Somali government supporter, also condemned the Shebab's "complete disregard for human life," State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland said.

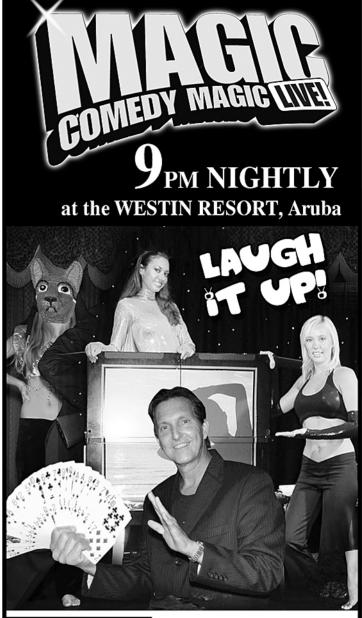
Somali police spokesman Abdullahi Hassan Barise said the attacker was a Kenyan national named Ashad Abdi Said.

United Nations chief Ban Ki-moon also expressed shock at the deadly bombing.

"It is incomprehensible that innocents are being senselessly targeted," Ban was quoted as saying by spokesman Martin Nesirky. "The secretary general is appalled by the vicious suicide bomb attack targeting government offices and ministries in Mogadishu today."

The International Committee for the Red Cross said around 90 people had been hospitalised at Mogadishu's Medina hospital.

Most of the casualties were reported to be civilians, with local residents saying the bomb went off as students were queueing for scholarships offered by Turkey.



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Mexican municipality purges

MONTERREY (AFP) - Authorities in northern Mexico have dismissed 261 local police, arresting 66 of them for suspected links to drug gangs, as part of an anti-corruption

Forty-eight failed confidence tests including on drug use and possession of stolen property, 124 failed to show up to the tests, and 66 were provisionally detained pending investigations into alleged links with crime gangs, said Gabriel Navarro, mayor of Santa Catarina municipality near the US

Another 23 were removed due to administrative processes, the mayor said.

The 103 police officers remaining in Santa Catarina, which has a population of around 260,000, would receive backup from soldiers and fed-

Authorities in the northern state of Nuevo Leon -- where Santa Catarina and the city of Monterrey lie -- began confidence tests on police at the start of the year in a bid to reduce corruption and detect links with crime gangs.

They blame a surge in violent attacks in the region on a turf war between the Gulf drug gang and its former enforcers the Zetas.

Civilians flee horror of the battle for Sirte

SIRTE (AFP) - Civilians pouring out of Moamer Kadhafi's hometown Sirte said yesterday the horror of the battle for the city finally forced them to conquer their fear of the besieging new regime forces and

"Obviously there continues to be fighting by Sirte, by other areas" and "we still don't know where Kadhafi is," Panetta said

The civilian exodus from Sirte comes as an NTC commander of forces besieging the other remaining loyalist bastion of Bani Walid said Kadhafi's son Seif al-Islam was directing the last stand in the

Mayor seeks Red Cross help to find

desert oasis.

Vehicles crammed with families and piled high with possessions queued at the succession of checkpoints on the coastal highway out of Sirte to have their belongings searched and identities checked by suspicious NTC forces.

gunmen on September 29

while on her way to school ac-

companied by her mother, who

kidnapped daughter BOGOTA (AFP) - The mayor of a northeastern Colombian town has pleaded for help from the Red Cross in making contact with kidnappers who snatched his 10-year-old

group said yesterday. Mayor Jorge Munoz and his wife "asked us if we have any way of facilitating contact be-

daughter last week, the aid

tween the family and the kidnappers, to try to obtain her release," Pascal Jequier, a spokesman in Colombia for the International Committee of the Red Cross, told AFP.

But Jequier told AFP the humanitarian group would be unable to honor the distraught family's request.

The girl was kidnapped by

also was abducted but later released. Police so far have been unable to locate the child who has been the subject of a manhunt throughout the Colombian

state of Arauca.

The girl's father said Sunday he had received a phone call from his daughter's presumed abductors, who assured him the child was "fine" but who refused to divulge who they were or why they had kidnapped her.

Colombia's Defense Minister Juan Carlos Pinzon has offered a 100 million peso (52,000 dollar) reward for information leading to the girl's





Health & Living

RBC/RBTT donates proceeds of its Zumba fundraising event to Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds





Pierre Rafini handing a check to Mrs. Fayona Flanegin



In September, RBC/RBTT organized a Zumba event together with Arubazumba Fitness, called "Move pa Bida" – "Move for Life." Goal of the event was to instill cancer awareness among young people and at the same time raise funds for the Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds – Aruba's branch of the Dutch Cancer Society, and RBC/RBTT'S own fund the Caribbean Children's Cancer Fund (CCCF).

The "Move pa Bida" Zumba event was very successful; participation was enormous, the sale of t-shirts went well and donations were generous

Prior to the ceremony, RBTT Bank Aruba N.V. President & Country Head Mrs. Edna Farro thanked everyone for their attendance. She elaborated on the importance to instill awareness of cancer among the Aruban community. Afterwards Mrs. Fayona Flanegin of the Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds thanked all present and gave a small explanation of the job the foundation perform for our community.

Afterwards, RBTT Bank Aruba N.V. VP Business Banking Pierre Rafini handed a check to Mrs. Fayona Flanegin. The amount consisted of the proceeds of the zumba fundraising event plus a generous donation by RBTT as well.

Mrs. Flanegien thanked everyone for the generous gesture.

California slaps down attempts to ban circumcision

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - California has banned local authorities from outlawing male circumcision, striking a final blow to a San Francisco group that had hoped to put the matter to a popular vote.

Religious groups applauded Governor Jerry Brown's signature Sunday of a bill which prevents cities and counties from interfering with parents wishing to circumcise their sons.

The move comes amid renewed debate over the ritual, which is a cornerstone of the Jewish and Muslim faiths.

Earlier this year, a group of San Francisco "intactivists" gathered the 7,000 signatures required to put before voters a ban on young male circumcision.

The activists believe that male circumcision is essentially culturally accepted genital mutilation, and should be a matter of individual, not parental, choice.

Their ballot initiative would have criminalized the circumcision of minors in this western US city except in cases of medical necessity.

But in July, a judge in ruled in favor of a coalition of religious groups, doctors and families who said the proposed ban violated a state law that prohibits local governments from regulating medical procedures.

Proponents of the ban drew widespread criticism this summer with their "Foreskin Man" comic book series, which featured a blond, blue-eyed superhero fighting caricatured Jewish villains.

"Human rights takes a long time for people to understand," said Lloyd Schofield, the retired hotel worker who has been at the helm of the San Francisco campaign.

"When you have a collusion of religious and politics it's a hard thing to overcome," he said. "There are always roadblocks along the way."

Anti-circumcision advocates say they will continue to lobby with rallies and teach-ins, that another "Foreskin Man" comic book is forthcoming.





Sci-Tech

'Dark energy' targeted in European space mission



A clear separation between dark and ordinary matter is seen 5.7 billion light years from the Earth from the Hubble Space Telescope in 2008.

PARIS (AFP) - So-called dark energy, believed to play a role in the accelerated expansion of the Universe, will be studied in a major science mission to be launched later this decade, the European Space Agency (ESA) said on Tuesday.

A space telescope known as Euclid will be launched in 2019 with the goal of mapping the geometry of the Universe across an unprecedented 10 billion light years.

It will seek insights into the history of the Universe's expansion and dark energy's impact on the structures of galaxies.

Saul Perlmutter and Adam

Riess of the United States and US-Australian Brian Schmidt on Tuesday co-shared the Nobel Prize for Physics for using a type of supernova for measuring the expansion of the Universe after the "Big Bang."

Bang."
In 1998 their conclusion that the Universe's expansion was speeding up, rather than decelerating as expected, took a hammer to conventional thinking in astrophysics

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Dark matter, an outwardacting force that is believed to
comprise nearly three quarters
of the Universe, is the suspected cosmic accelerator.

Euclid joins other mission, Solar Orbiter, as the first ventures in ESA's "Cosmic Vision" plan for 2015-2025.

Solar Orbiter, a probe due to launch in 2017, "will venture closer to the Sun than any previous mission," ESA said in a press release.

"It is designed to make major breakthroughs in our understanding of how the Sun influences its environment, in particular how the Sun generates and propels the flow of particles in which the planets are bathed, known as the solar wind "

Three U.S.-born scientists won the Nobel Prize in physics



Adam G. Riess

NEW YORK (AFP) - A trio of astronomers won the Nobel Physics Prize on Tuesday for discovering that the expansion of the Universe is accelerating, a finding that implies that the cosmos will end in frozen nothingness.

The three are Saul Perlmutter and Adam Riess of the United States and US-Australian Brian Schmidt, who were honoured for findings that were -- to their own admission -- both a complete surprise and a little scary.

The young trio looked at so-called type 1a supernovae to set down a benchmark for the movement of light on a cosmological scale.

This kind of supernova, also called a white dwarf, can in the matter of a few weeks emit as much light as an entire galaxy.

But to their astonishment, the laureates found through observations of more than 50 distant supernovae that light from the dying stars was weaker than expected, meaning they were further away than anticipated.

They concluded that, instead of slowing down as previously believed, the expansion of the Universe that began after it was created by the Big Bang some 14 billion years ago was accelerating.

Asked about the discovery, Riess, who at 41 is the youngest of the laureates, recalled first thinking he'd gotten the calculation wrong.

"I remember thinking ah, I made a terrible mistake and then spent weeks looking for it," he told the Nobel Prize website after being informed of his award.

It took a long time before he would "allow the possibility that the sign could be real and that the Universe could be accelerating," he said. What may drive the accel-

What may drive the acceleration is an enigmatic force called dark energy, thought to constitute about three-quarters of the Universe.

The jury compared the discovery to "throwing a ball up in the air, and instead of having it come back down, watching as it disappears more and more rapidly into the sky, as if gravity could not manage to reverse the ball's trajectory."

Apple unveils 'iPhone 4S'



Apple on Tuesday unveiled a more powerful iPhone with a built-in "personal assistant" that responds to voice commands.

The "iPhone 4S" was not the completely revamped next-generation iPhone 5 smartphone many Apple fans had hoped for but was expected to be a blockbuster seller in a market hungry for the California company's gadgets.

Hot new features in iPhone 4S included a speedier processor and a camera that takes high-definition video.

The iPhone 4S will be available in the United States, Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Japan and Britain on October 14 with pre-orders commencing a week earlier.

Microsoft pulls plug on Zune



.Microsoft is quietly pulling the plug on its Zune digital media player, its would-be rival to Apple's iPod.

The announcement of the demise of the Zune was buried on a support page for the device.

Windows Phone is Microsoft's operating system for mobile devices.

Microsoft said it will continue to provide services for Zune users and recent orders for the portable digital media player will be fulfilled.

Microsoft began producing the Zune in 2006 but it never really threatened the global dominance of the iPod from rival Apple.



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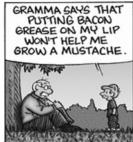
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Finance

Global markets hit by bank, debt fears

LONDON (AFP) - World stock markets fell sharply again yesterday on growing fears of a fresh banking disaster in the eurozone as France and Belgium moved fast to help lender Dexia amid gloomy talk on US growth from Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke.

Asia and then Europe posted substantial losses but US markets held up slightly better, helped by some recent better-than-expected data, but Bernanke's remarks that the Fed might act to support the economy again gave the game

Fears the eurozone debt crisis could be about to snare the banks spiked after shares in Franco-Belgian bank Dexia lost a third of their value before recovering to close with a loss of about 20 percent as it became clear a government bailout was in the works.

Responding to the turmoil, France and Belgium said they would guarantee the debts of the troubled cross-border bank that had to be saved in 2008 as the global financial crisis deepened with the collapse of Lehman Brothers.

In Europe, London's FTSE-100 index of leading shares lost 2.58 percent to 4,944.44 points. In Frankfurt, the DAX tumbled 2.98 percent to 5,216.71 points and in Paris the CAC-40 shed 2.61 percent to 2,850.55 points.

Elsewhere in Europe, Madrid lost 1.54 percent, Lisbon 2.18 percent, Milan 2.72 percent, Amsterdam 2.02 percent and Brussels 3.13 percent.

US stocks recovered from session lows but remained downbeat after Bernanke warned Congress that budgetcutting could hit already-feeble growth and delay job creation.

In midday trading, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 0.93 percent, the broader S&P 500 was off 0.53 percent while the tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite brooked the trend and added 0.88 percent.

"Against this bearish backdrop, the Dow Jones Industrial Average is bracing for a third straight triple-digit drop, while the broader S&P 500 Index is headed even deeper into annual-low territory," said Andrea Kramer of Schaeffer's Investment Research.

Asian markets tumbled with Tokyo losing 1.05 percent and Hong Kong 3.40 percent.

In London trade, the euro slumped to \$1.3146 -- the lowest level since mid-January. It later stood at \$1.3284, up from \$1.3178 late in New York on

The single currency meanwhile edged back up to 102.14 yen after having traded earlier at 100.76 yen -- the lowest level since 2001.

Dexia, which specialises in providing financing to local authorities especially France, could be the first major banking victim of the eurozone debt crisis, brought down by a credit crunch.

Data from the European Central Bank showed eurozone banks deposited the biggest amount of overnight funds at the ECB so far this year in a signal that interbank lending has frozen.

"Investors are facing the real possibility that bank exposures to sovereign debt and an increasing shut down in interbank lending markets could trigger a new banking crisis," said Joshua Raymond, chief market strategist at City Index.



FRANCE, Marcoussis: Picture shows the hydrogen electric British LTI taxi during a presentation by the French industrial gas group Air Liquide of Hydrogen electric cars in Marcoussis, near Paris on October 4, 2011 as part of tests in (AFP PHOTO) France of hydrogen electric vehicles.



SPAIN, Madrid: People wait in line at a government employment office at Santa Eugenia's Madrid suburb on October 04, 2011. The number of unemployed in Spain increased in September to 4.226 million, a 2.32% monthly increase, Spanish government announced. This number reached a record high in March of 4.33 million unemployed, the highest level since the start of the economic crisis in 2008. (AFP PHOTO)

BRAZIL, Brasília: (FILES) Composition made with two pictures, the one on the left, an airplane of Brazilian company TAM, parked at Brasilia's international airport, on February 6, 2003, and the other, a LAN parked at Calama's airport in Chile on March 22, 2005. Chile's LAN airlines and Brazil's TAM are continuing with their merger, but announced on October 4, 2011 they will make an appeal before the Chilean Supreme Court, to impugn three of the 11 conditions put by an anti-trust court in order to give the merger a green light. LAN and TAM, already two of the largest airlines in South America, announced in August 2010 their plans to form a regional giant, LATAM airlines, which would become one of the 10 largest in the world. (AFP PHOTO)

Central bank: Russia capital flight reaches \$50 bn

MOSCOW (AFP) - Russia yeesterday reported \$18.7 billion in capital outflows in the third quarter that far outweighed state estimates and underscored the uncertainty that has gripped the country in recent months.

The Central Bank said the poor quarter came on top of the \$30.6 billion that had left Russia between January and August. The nine-month total has now reached \$49.3 billion, compared to \$16 billion just one year ago.

Government officials have blamed the capital flight on a fragile investment climate in which investors complain of red tape and corruption as well as the inability to defend their

rights in court.

But some economists said that even more money has headed for safer harbours in the second half of the year be-

cause investors could not decipher whether Prime Minister Vladimir Putin was intent on returning to a Kremlin post he held in 2000-2008.

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Beloved curmudgeon Rooney bids TV farewell



WASHINGTON, (AFP) -Andy Rooney, the most beloved curmudgeon in US broadcasting, had the last word for the last time on "60 Minutes" on Sunday, foregoing his signature crankiness for a spot of sentimentality.

"I've done a lot of complaining here, but of all the things I've complained about, I can't complain about my life," the 92-year-old Rooney said in his 1,097th and final closing essay for the CBS television news magazine pro-

A fixture of US television since the 1950s, four-time Emmy winner Rooney has delighted and annoyed in equal measure, using the final minutes of each "60 Minutes" program to rant on everything from politics to pennies.

Couching his typically 300word musings in the first-person -- "What I just don't understand is," he would often say -- Rooney aimed his opinions at the American everyman.

His very first essay on "60 Minutes" challenged a national media obsession with July 4 highway fatalities, arguing that statistically, the Independence Day holiday was a relatively safe one.

Later essays tackled such unlikely subjects as cereal boxes, coffee cans, mixed nuts and one-cent coins: "The US Mint ought to stop making pennies... You can't buy anything with a penny, and they're a pain in the pocket.'

'Rooney's job on '60 Minutes' was to be himself and say whatever popped into his head," wrote the filmmaker and critic Matt Zoller Seitz on the Slate news website. "He was good at it."

A native of Albany, the state capital of New York, Rooney embraced journalism while serving in Europe with the US army in World War II, covering the first US air raid over Nazi Germany and the liberation of Buchenwald.

He joined CBS in 1949 as a writer, first for game-show hosts such as Arthur Godfrey, and then for its pioneering television news division where, in 1968, he joined "60 Minutes" as a founding staff mem-

Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



Aruba's newest and most innovative gated community has enjoyed steady sales since breaking ground, as many are finding the secure surroundings and outstanding amenities are just what they were looking for before considering purchasing property on the island. Some owners are using the villas or town homes as vacation retreats rather than full time and are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready in-

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

Staying at Gold Coast is a very attractive proposition for those traveling with groups that would require multiple hotel rooms. Two and three bedroom Villas or Town Homes accommodate large numbers and offer extensive amenities along with a final cost resulting in considerable savings. The community is minutes to the best beaches and all the casino action, and offers a quiet and secluded getaway with two swimming pools and specialized services with more on the way, such as a fitness room, tennis courts and mini-mall. Ed can arrange maid service, babysit-

ters, caterers, airline pick-up

and drop-off; they even boast a shopping service to stock your shelves before arrival.

Gold Coast accommodations are elegant and spacious, offering privacy for parents or a few couples. Beautifully appointed net connection, individual washer/dryer, and are fully air-conditioned. Cribs, high chairs and hair dryers are available for a modest fee. Concierge services to arrange rental cars, spa appointments, activities and restaurant



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Neila Granzoti Rudden was born and raised in Sao Paulo, by her Brazilian and Italian parents. Elements of these two cultures mingle in the inspiration of her swimwear. The designer takes women on a creative journey that is personal and luxurious. Her sensual, feminine pieces caress the skin, celebrating the female form.

Neila earned her degree in graphic design while studying in London and subsequently moved to Milan, where she... absorbed Italian culture and fashion before moving to New York City in 2005 to pursue her design career. Upon her arrival to New

York City, Neila began designing swimwear inspired by the natural beauty in which she was raised. Her Italian sensibility, the feminine values she learned from her mother and her vast travels also influence her work.

Blending sensuality with elegance, Neila's collections offer women pieces they can wear everyday to feel naturally comfortable, sexy and beautiful. Neila does not believe that women need special occasions to look sensual. The swimwear exudes sophistication and youthfulness for the classy woman who lives life to the fullest.

Each piece is meticulously handmade. Neila chooses her own material - from natural stones to cloth and thread - for her collection. Her semi-precious jewels, swimwear and lingerie area mixture of the style and tendency of Brazil and Italy, creating a eclectic collection that is seductive and vibrant



Sport

Rangers edge Rays

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Infielder Adrian Beltre #29 of the Texas Rangers smiles after his second inning home Rangers, both blasts off run against the Tampa Bay Tampa Bay starter Jeremy

We're looking good now but we still have a long way to

Trailing 4-2 entering the ninth inning, the Rays rallied when Sean Rodriguez scored his third run of the game, pulling Tampa Bay within the final margin when he crossed the plate after a single to right field by Casey Kotchman.

But the Rays' championship dreams ended when Rangers reliever Neftali Feliz induced Desmond Jennings to ground into a fielder's choice for the final out.

Texas leadoff hitter Ian Kinsler hit a solo homer in the first inning and Beltre followed with another to start the second inning for the Hellickson to give Texas a 2-0 lead.

Tampa Bay's Matt Joyce doubled in Rodriguez, who knocked the ball from Texas catcher Mike Napoli's grasp in a home-plate collision, with two outs in the second to pull one back for the Rays.

But Beltre blasted another homer off Hellickson in the fourth to put the Rangers on top 3-1.

The Rays moved within 3in the fourth when Rodriguez scored again, this time on Kotchman single.

But Beltre struck again in the seventh, smashing another round-trip blast off Rays reliever Matt Moore to push the Rangers' lead to 4-2.

That homer lifted Beltre history alongside Kennedy, George Brett, Reggie Jackson, Bob Robertson and Babe Ruth, who hit three homers in the same World Series game in both 1926 and









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Stars join the talks on pivotal day in lockout

NEW YORK, (AFP) - NBA stars Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Paul Pierce were among players who met with club owners in contract negotiations on Tuesday as a 96day lockout over money issues reached a pivotal point.

Four weeks before the scheduled November 1 start of the 2011-2012 campaign, bargaining committees for owners and players tried to hammer out terms for a new deal despite major disagreements over salary cap rules and total team payrolls.

"Both sides are really confident about getting something done soon," New York playmaker Amare Stoudemire said. "We're just trying to make sure we work it out."

The NBA has already called off pre-season training camp and the first 43 pre-season games through October 15. Time is running out on the remaining two weeks of the pre-season schedule.

With little hope of making up lost games after the scheduled end of the six-month season in April, only days could remain before the NBA shortens a season due to financial issues for only the second time in history.

NBA teams each played only 50 games in a truncated 1998-1999 campaign after more than two months were lost to bickering over money.

Owners want a hard salary cap rather than the current exemption-filled system and a greater share of revenues from what last season was a \$3.8 billion business.

They claim losses of \$300 million last season, saying only eight of 30 teams made a profit.

Players want to avoid a firm salary cap and be subject to major salary cuts. Players were assured 57 percent of revenues under the previous contract.

Owners have sought to trim that to 46 percent, although NBA commissioner David Stern admits that simply was a bargaining posi-

"We're apart on the split, but we know that the answer lies between where they were are, where we are," Stern said.

"I think, if there's a will, we'll be able to deal with both the splits and the system is-



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Tiger, Yankees, Super Bowl pace Forbes sport brand lists



NEW YORK (AFP) - Tiger Woods, a 14-time major golf champion who has not won a title in nearly two years, and baseball's New York Yankees lead Forbes magazine's lists of top sports brand values released on Tuesday.

Woods lost some endorsements after his infamous sex scandal erupted in 2009 and he has struggled with a knee injury most of this year, but he was ranked top of the list of athlete sports brands with a value of \$55 million.

The former World No. 1, chasing the all-time record of 18 major titles won by Jack Nicklaus, fell to 51st in this week's world rankings, his first time outside the top 50 after 778 weeks in a row over 15 years.

The Yankees, record 27-time World Series champions who reached the playoffs this year with the second-best record in Major League Baseball, topped the team lists at \$340 million with Manchester United, pace-setter for the past four years in the poll, a distant second at \$269 million.

Increased value in the US dollar compared to the British pound helped lift the Yankees above Man United, with Forbes saying the Red Devils would still be on top of the list if the exchange rate were the same as it was in 2007.

Real Madrid was third at \$264 million followed by the NFL Dallas Cowboys at \$193 million, Bayern Munich at \$179 million, baseball's

Boston Red Sox at \$173 million, Barcelona (\$172 million), Arsenal (\$158 million), AC Milan (\$147 million) and the NFL New England Patriots (\$146 million).

Among sports events, the US magazine rated the Super Bowl top overall ahead of the Summer Olympics followed by the World Cup, baseball's World Series, the UEFA Champions League, Winter Olympics and Daytona 500 auto race.

Forbes judged athlete brands by the amount their endorsement income exceeds the average in their sport. Team rankings were made off the portion of overall revenue not coming from league-shared revenues or de-

mographics.

Despite a divorce last year from Elin Nordegren after revelations of his cheating with multiple mistresses, Woods added his first new sponsor since the scandal last June, joining powerful deals with Nike and EA Sports videogames.

Nike was rated the top sports business brand with ESPN ranked second.

While Woods was down from last year's value of \$82 million, he still ranked \$29 million ahead of second-place Swiss tennis star Roger Federer with US golf rival Phil Mickelson third at \$24 million.

English football star David Beckham of the Los Angeles Galaxy was fourth at \$20 million, just ahead of NBA Miami Heat star LeBron James, whose value jumped to match Beckham from \$13 million last year.

James was bolstered by a \$10 million annual Nike deal and a marketing deal with Boston Red Sox owner John Henry that made the NBA star a part owner of English Premier League football side Liverpool.

Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant, in talks to play in Italy during the ongoing NBA lockout, was sixth on \$14 million followed by US auto racer Dale Earnhardt Jnr (\$9 million).

Russian tennis beauty Maria Sharapova (\$9 million), Real Madrid's Cristiano Ronaldo (\$8 million) and US snowboard-skateboard icon Shaun White (\$7 million) were next on the list.

Among teams, the NFL Patriots benefited from regional radio and TV deals and stadium rentals for non-game events to bump into the bottom of the list, replacing the New York Mets, whose brand fell \$15 million to \$144 million as a result of financial struggles after losses in the Bernie Madoff scandal.

Event figures were tallied on revenue per day, with the one-day US gridiron extravaganza generating \$425 million to stay ahead of the Olympics, which closed the gap after television revenue jumps.

NHL Season opens with bid to head off severe injuries

WASHINGTON (AFP) - A crackdown on severe hits to the head and the return of the Winnipeg Jets mark the major changes for the National Hockey League ahead of Thursday's start of the 2011-2012 season.

Brendan Shanahan, the NHL's new vice president of hockey operations, has already imposed nine suspensions for a total of 31 games based only upon pre-season hits as protecting players from concussions becomes a top priority.

For a major reason why, look no further than opening night.

The Pittsburgh Penguins will play at Vancouver, where Penguins' captain Sidney Crosby scored the gold-medal goal in over-time for Canada in the 2010 Winter

Olympic final against the United States.

But superstar Crosby will not play for Pittsburgh, having not recovered from a concussion suffered in a game last January. Crosby is on injured reserve and has not even returned to contact drills in workouts.

Not surprisingly, Crosby is a believer in the crackdown on head blows.

Opening night also features the Boston Bruins celebrating their first Stanley Cup title since 1972 when they entertain Philadelphia and Canada's oldest NHL rivalry renewed when the Toronto Maple Leafs play host to Montreal.

The Bruins won the bestof-seven NHL Final in a seventh game last June at Vancouver,

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MLB playoff schedule

American League

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NY Yankees 9, Detroit 3 (NY leads 1-0) **Detroit 5, NY Yankees 3 (Tied 1-1) Detroit 5, NY Yankees 4 (Detroit lead 2-1)** October 4: New York Yankees at Detroit October 6: Detroit at New York Yankees

TAMPA BAY V TEXAS

Tampa Bay 9, Texas 0 (Rays lead 1-0) Texas 8, Tampa Bay 6 Tied 1-1) Texas 4, Tampa Bay 3 (Rangers lead 2-1) October 4: Texas at Tampa Bay October 6: Tampa Bay at Texas

National League

ST. LOUIS V PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia 11, St. Louis 6 (Phillies lead 1-0) St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 4 (Tied 1-1)

October 4: Philadelphia at St. Louis

October 5: Philadelphia at St. Louis

October 7: St. Louis at Philadelphia

ARIZONA V MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee 4, Arizona 1 (Brewers lead 1-0) Milwaukee 9, Arizona 4 (Brewers lead 2-0)

October 4: Milwaukee at Arizona October 5: Milwaukee at Arizona

October 7: Arizona at Milwaukee

Rangers edge Rays to advance in playoffs

- Adrian Beltre smashed three solo home runs to power Texas past Tampa Bay 4-3 on Tuesday, advancing the Rangers to the American League finals of the Major League Baseball playoffs.

The reigning league champion Rangers, who beat Tampa Bay three games to one in the best-of-five series, will face either Detroit or the New York Yankees in the best-of-seven league championship series that begins on Saturday.

Beltre, 1-for-11 at the plate in the playoffs before Tuesday, became only the sixth player to hit three homers in the same Major League Baseball playoff game, the first since Adam Kennedy of the Anaheim Angels in 2002.

"The first couple games,

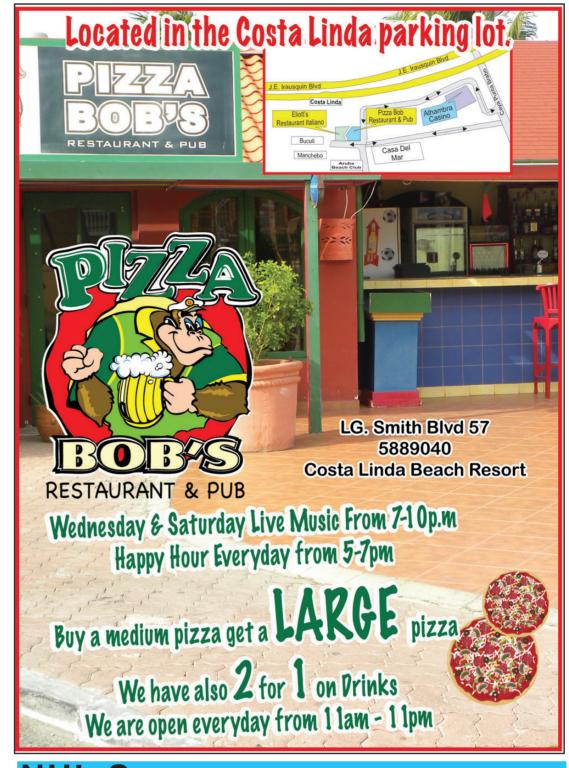
ST. PETERSBURG (AFP) - their pitching was pretty good," Beltre said. "Today something changed. I felt real good and I was able to help my team win.'

> The 32-year-old Dominican third baseman missed his chance to go 4-for-4 in homers by flying out to right field in the eighth inning.

Beltre is still seeking a World Series title after stops with the Angels, Seattle and last year at Boston.

The veteran of 14 major league seasons hopes to power the Rangers back into the World Series after they lost their first trip to the title showdown last year to San Francisco. "That's one of the reasons I came to this team, to put a (championship) ring on my finger.

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NHL Season opens.....

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Friday and Saturday will feature regular-season games in Europe, with the New York Rangers facing Anaheim and Los Angeles in Stockholm and the Buffalo Sabres playing Anaheim in Helsinki and Los Angeles in Berlin.

NHL owners approved the move of the Atlanta Thrashers to Winnipeg in the off-season. While the Jets will remain in the Southeast division this season, realignment for next season is on the agenda for an

owners meeting in December.

Sunday will see the Winnipeg Jets play host to Montreal as fans in the hockey-mad central Canadian city enjoy the return of an NHL club for the first time since the original Jets left for Phoenix in 1996.

